

DATE: December 22, 2006

TO: Phil Becker, General Manager
International Bridge

FROM: Robert H. Parsons, Public Hearings Officer
Bureau of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Certification of public hearings and public comments received for the
International Bridge Proposed New Toll Rates

This is to certify that three public hearings were held on the International Bridge Proposed New Toll Rates. The public hearings were held at the following locations, dates and times:

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO, on Tuesday, November 28, 2006, at 7 p.m.
in the Holiday Inn, 208 St. Mary's River Dr.

SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN, on Wednesday, November 29, 2006, at
7 p.m. in the Ramada Plaza Hotel-Ojibway, 240 West Portage Ave., and

EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN, on Thursday, November 30, 2006, at 3:00 p.m.
in the MDOT Transportation Service Center, 1019 Trowbridge Rd.

These hearings, as mandated in Article 18, Section 301 of Public Act 345 of 2006, were held in accordance with MDOT Public Involvement/Public Hearings Procedures. The purpose of the hearings was to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed toll rates. Conducting each hearing were:

Robert H. Parsons, MDOT Public Involvement and Hearings Officer
Phil Becker, General Manager, International Bridge
Lorie Bottos, Member, Joint International Bridge Authority (Nov. 28 only)
Peter Petainen, Chief Financial Officer, International Bridge, (Nov. 28 only)
Karl Hansen, International Bridge Engineer (Nov. 30 only)

Legal notices announcing these hearings were placed in the *Sault Evening News*, *Sault Star* and the *Lansing State Journal* during November. An ad sample is included in the first tab of this transcript.

A total of 11 people from the public attended the hearings: three in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, eight in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and none in Lansing. A copy of the sign-in sheets follows after the sample legal notice. All comments received postmarked on or before December 14, 2006 are included with this transcript. Included are one letter and one description of a phone call. There were no comment forms submitted during or following the hearings. Spoken comments at the hearing begin on page 19 in both the Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, and Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, hearing transcripts.